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## Brooke Wilson The Pacific Resource Partnership

County Council
City and County of Honolulu Committee on Budget
Councilmember Ann H. Kobayashi, Chair
Councilmember Joey Manahan, Vice Chair

Proposed CD1 to Bill 24 (2015) Relating to Car Sharing

Wednesday, May 27, 2015 9 AM Honolulu Hale – Committee Meeting Room

Aloha Chair Kobayashi, Vice Chair Manahan and members of the Committee:

Pacific Resource Partnership (PRP) is a not-for-profit organization that represents the Hawaii Regional Council of Carpenters, the largest construction union in the state, and more than 240 of Hawaii's top contractors. Through this unique partnership, PRP has become an influential voice for responsible construction and an advocate for creating a stronger, more sustainable Hawaii in a way that promotes a vibrant economy, creates jobs and enhances the quality of life for all residents.

We support Bill 24, proposed CD1, related to car sharing, and respectfully request that this bill move forward.

In 2005 a report by the Transit Cooperative Research Program TCRP entitled, "Car-Sharing: Where and How It Succeeds," identified many benefits of Car- sharing:

- Reduced impacts and congestion on our roads and highways.
- Increased parking availability and less need for new parking, providing more land for development of much needed housing
- Improved mobility and destination flexibility, particularly for people who cannot afford the fixed cost of vehicle ownership
- Lower emissions through cutting vehicle travel and through the use of newer, fuel- efficient vehicles, such as hybrids;
- Increased transit ridership, because nearly 20% of car-sharing trips are accessed by transit, mostly during off-peak times

Car-sharing programs have very real benefits for the communities in which they operate. People will have the convenience of using a private vehicle without the costs and responsibilities of ownership.



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Thank you for the opportunity to share our views on this important initiative with you.

